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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 985 File No. 353 Cal. No. 253

"AN ACT CONCERNING BARBERSHOPS AND APPRENTICESHIPS."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) When used in this section and section 20-236 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, "apprentice" means a person employed under an apprentice agreement to work at and learn a specific trade; and "apprentice agreement" means a written agreement entered into by a person, or on his or her behalf by his or her parent or guardian, with an employer, or with an association of employers and an organization of employees acting as a joint apprenticeship committee, which agreement provides for not less than two thousand hours of work experience in approved trade training consistent with recognized requirements established by

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13 the Labor Department.

- (b) The department shall establish requirements for minimum standards of apprenticeship and for related and supplementary instruction, encourage registration and approval of apprentice agreements and apprentice programs, and issue certificates of completion upon the verification by employers or joint apprenticeship committees of the satisfactory completion of the term of apprenticeship. The department shall formulate policies for the effective administration of this section. All apprentice programs approved and registered with the department in accordance with the regulations adopted by the commissioner under this section shall be on a voluntary basis and shall be installed for the purpose of developing skilled barbers in the state.
- 26 (c) Not later than January 1, 2016, the Labor Commissioner shall 27 adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of 28 the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.
- Sec. 2. Section 20-236 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):
 - (a) (1) Any person desiring to obtain a license as a barber shall apply in writing on forms furnished by the Department of Public Health and shall pay to the department a fee of one hundred dollars. The department shall not issue a license until the applicant has made written application to the department, setting forth by affidavit that the applicant has (A) (i) successfully completed the eighth grade, [(B)] (ii) completed a course of not less than one thousand hours of study in a school approved in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, or, if trained outside of Connecticut, in a barber school or college whose requirements are equivalent to those of a Connecticut barber school or college, and [(C)] (iii) passed a written examination satisfactory to the department, or (B) if the applicant is an apprentice, (i) successfully completed the eighth grade, (ii) completed an apprenticeship approved by the Labor Department, and (iii) passed a

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written examination satisfactory to the Department of Public Health. Examinations required for licensure under this chapter shall be prescribed by the department with the advice and assistance of the board. The department shall establish a passing score for examinations required under this chapter with the advice and assistance of the board. No license issued in accordance with the provisions of this chapter may be assigned or transferred to another person.

- (2) Any person who holds a license at the time of application to practice the occupation of barbering in any other state, the District of Columbia or in a commonwealth or territory of the United States, and was issued such license on the basis of successful completion of a program of education and training in barbering and an examination, shall be eligible for licensing in this state and entitled to a license without examination upon payment of a fee of one hundred dollars.
- (3) Any person who holds a license to practice the occupation of barbering in any other state, the District of Columbia, or in a commonwealth or territory of the United States, and has held such license for a period of not less than forty years, shall be eligible for licensure without examination. No license shall be issued under this section to any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint.
- (b) (1) Barber schools shall obtain approval pursuant to this section prior to commencing operation. In the event that an approved school undergoes a change of ownership or location, such approval shall become void and the school shall apply for a new approval pursuant to this section. Applications for such approval shall be on forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Health. In the event that a school fails to comply with the provisions of this subsection, no credit toward the one thousand hours of study required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be granted to any student for instruction received prior to the effective date of school approval.
- 76 (2) The Commissioner of Public Health, in consultation with the

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77 Connecticut Examining Board for Barbers, Hairdressers and 78 Cosmeticians, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the 79 provisions of chapter 54, to prescribe minimum curriculum 80 requirements for barber schools. The commissioner, in consultation 81 with said board, may adopt a curriculum and procedures for the 82 approval of barber schools, provided the commissioner prints notice of 83 intent to adopt regulations concerning the adoption of a curriculum 84 and procedures for the approval of barber schools in the Connecticut 85 Law Journal not later than thirty days after the date of implementation 86 of such curriculum and such procedures. The curriculum and 87 procedures implemented pursuant to this section shall be valid until 88 such time final regulations are adopted."

This act shall sections:	l take effect as follows	s and shall amend the following
Section 1	October 1, 2015	New section

20-236

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Sec. 2